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Letter from an Hungarian Officer to his Uncle at the Hague, dated Vienna, Dec. 23. N.S.

YOU conjure me, Sir, to send you a true Account of the Posture of our Affairs by the Gentleman who is to deliver you this. I shall therefore give you a clear Detail of what I know as to the Army in Bohemia, the Court here, and the Camp in Upper Austria, for which I am to set out to-morrow. The last Letters I saw were dated from Wittingaw, Dec. 18. and were written by a Major in my Father-in-law's Regiment. He says, that tho' the Season be far advanc'd, and more rigorous than usual, yet the Armies continue to harass one another perpetually. That on Prince Lobkowitz's retiring from Braslaw, the Prussians had taken Possession of that Post, notwithstanding they knew a Body of French and Bavarians were in full March there; that our Army was in good Quarters, and so dispos'd as to prevent the Enemy's having any Communication with Upper Austria. That on the 17th, the Hussars of Moldau had surpriz'd a Company of French Grenadiers on their March, kill'd eighteen on the Spot, and made fifty-two Prisoners, so that not a single Man escap'd. It was given out in the Enemy's Camp, that a strong Re-inforcement was expected from Passau, but it was rather believ'd they were to come from Prague, and that in case they were disappointed our Troops were to act offensively. In a Postscript to this Letter it is said, that it was reported that the King of Prussia had sent Orders to Velt-Marshal Schwerin, to march with 15000 Men into Moravia, which, if true, will distress us more than all the French, Bavarian, and Saxon Troops put together. The Queen looks very chearful, and it is observ'd that the Court in general seem to be in high Spirits since the Arrival of Count Ostein from London, whence it is conjectur'd that he has brought some good News. It is certain that our Troops are very regularly paid, that her Majesty has receiv'd large Remittances from abroad, and that the French Minister goes very little to Court. We receive daily Assurances from Hungary and Flanders, of the sincere Attachment of the Inhabitants of those Countries to her Majesty's Service; nor do we think Things in Italy are so desperate as some would represent them. Count Kevenhuller is actually set out, to take upon him the Command of the Army in Upper Austria, which by the beginning of the new Year will consist of 35000 Men, to every Day Arms, Ammunition, and Artillery, go further from hence. Our Regiment marches to-morrow to escort a Quantity of Muskets, Bayonets, and other Arms, sufficient for 6000 Men. There is no doubt of our being Gainers by avoiding an Engagement, since the Enemy's Forces daily diminish by Sickness and other Accidents; besides our Hussars have destroy'd in small Parties several Hundreds, and if they were not restrain'd, would attack them even in their fortified Posts. It is generally conceiv'd, that when General Kevenhuller begins to act with his Forces, Prince Lobkowitz will make a brisk Push in Bohemia; and in case we are able to make our Party good till Spring, we doubt not but her Majesty's Allies will exert themselves in her Favour. Be it as it will, we have here a numerous Army of veteran Troops, commanded by experienc'd Officers, full of Zeal and Courage, and who you may depend upon it will ere long convince the World, that Austria will not be lost for want of fighting. Mr. Robinson has just receiv'd a Courier from the Court, another is arriv'd from Paris, and a third from Milan, charged with Packets of great Importance.'

Extract of a Letter from the Hague, Jan. 6. 1742. N.S.

'An Accident which happens but rarely puts it in my Power not only to send you the inclos'd Letter [*the Post*] from Vienna, of a fresher Date and from a better Hand than any of our News-writers here correspond with, but also to communicate to you some important Secrets which I obtain'd by the Channel I mention'd to you some time ago, and by which I hope to have Something at least once a Week. This Supply of Intelligence comes very seasonably, for at present all our foreign Ministers are so extremely cautious that it is almost impracticable to come at any thing by the ordinary Methods, tho' I know there are Persons on your Side of the Water who pretend the contrary, but Experience will convince you that I tell you nothing but Truth.

'A Friend of mine at Geneva, whose Letter is dated Dec. 27. writes thus: Affairs in Italy were never in my Remembrance more perplexed than now. The King of Sardinia has certainly march'd an Army of 25,000 Men into the Milanese, and before this reaches your Hands will be Master of the best Part of that noble Country. His Majesty publish'd on the 23d a copious Manifesto in support of his Proceedings, from which however we are not at all the wiser, nor can our ablest Politicians pretend to say in whose Interest he is. The Partizans of Spain give out, that he acts in conjunction with their Court and that of France, which is notwithstanding not very reconcileable to his Manifesto. The Friends of her Hungarian Majesty affirm the contrary, and that he has only taken Possession of the Duchy of Milan to prevent its falling into other Hands, and as a Proof of this they observe, that the Austrian Generals seem to have acted in Concert with his Sardinian Majesty in withdrawing their Troops to make way for his. Such as pique themselves on an extraordinary Degree of Penetration treat both Opinions with Contempt, and will have it that this Prince regards no body's Interest but his own; Time will shew us which of these Conjectures is best. In the mean while, we have Advice from Chur in Switzerland, that Lord Theodore had appeared there lately, without any body's knowing from whence he came. He continued four Days at the House of his old Friend General Salis, and was present at a grand Entertainment given by that General to certain Foreign Ministers and Lords of the Regency, under the Character of an English Gentleman, and set out the next day with four Attendants for Italy.

'My Correspondent at Ratisbon, by a Letter dated the 28th of last Month, assures me, that for a Fortnight past they have been in daily Expectation of the new King of Bohemia's passing thro' that Place in his Way from Prague to Munich, on which Account the Burghers have been in Arms, and a Deputation from the Magistrates has been in constant Readiness to pay their Compliments to him, but as yet he was not arriv'd, which occasion'd a great deal of Speculation.

'They write from Francfort, that on the 30th Dec. last another preliminary Conference was held there, and that they expected four more would be held the next Week, that all things may be in Readiness against 24th January, when the Emperor is to be declar'd. The four French Commissaries who were in Custody at Urdingen for Male Practices, were executed there on the 29th, two were beheaded, and the other two shot to death. There was Advice that the Prussian Troops, after driving the Austrians out of all the Places they held in Upper Silesia, had actually invaded Moravia, besieg'd the Town of Hoff, and were preparing to invest the City of Sternberg. The Elector of Cologne was still with Prince William of Hesse Cassel at Hanaw when the Post set out.

'P.S. I have this Instant receiv'd a Letter from Petersburgh dated Dec. 15, which informs me, that on the Monday before, the Empress had been pleas'd to give the Order of St. Andrew to the Generals Romanzof, Ticheernischow and Lewaschow, as also to Mr. Bestuchef, her Majesty and the new-made Knights keeping open Table. The same Day several Chamberlains were nam'd and other Promotions made, amongst the rest the two Princes Dolghorucki were discharg'd from their Confinement, and restor'd to their Estates and Dignities. The Princess of Mecklemberg has written to her Imperial Majesty to desire her Leave to stay some time at Dantzick, which has been granted.'

Extract of a Letter from Petersbourg, Dec. 12. N.S.

'The Prince of Hesse-Hombourg, who was the *Primum Mobile* of the late Revolution, is the Prince who, 'twas believ'd some Years ago, was to have been marry'd to the Princess Elizabeth, and afterwards marry'd a Princess of Cantemir. In the Reigns of Peter I. the Empress Catherine, and Peter II. he was famous, and at the Head of the Armies, but in the two last Reigns he was scarce known, by reason of the Misfortune he had in the Reign of the Empress Anne, to disoblige the late Duke of Courland her Favourite. Yet without being weary'd out by the Obscurity in which he was involv'd by the Jealousy of others, he always took care to gain the Affection of the three Regiments of Life-Guards, and of the Russian Officers who command them, and in Concert with some of these, and with the Consent of some of the principal Men of the Nation, he being a Russian himself, by his Marriage with the Princess de Cantemir, he plac'd the Princess Elizabeth on the Throne, in the Manner as has been said.'

HOME PORTS.

Deal, Dec 31. Wind W. by S. Remains his Majesty's Ship the Dover.

Gravesend, Dec. 31. Pass'd by the Lydia, Spilman, from Gottenburgh.

LONDON, January 2.

The Johannes, Beckman, for Hamburgh, and the White Pidgeon, Courier, for Bremen, both from London, are put back to Harwich. The White Pidgeon had been at Sea 13 Days, but could not get into the Rivers Weser or Elbe, both which empty themselves into the German Ocean.

The English Ship from Leghorn for London, mention'd in our last to have been carried into St. Sebastians, appears by Letters from thence dated 18. ult. O.S. to be the Dorothy, John Trounce late Commander, mounted with 16 Guns, and 32 Men. She sailed from Gibraltar 25. Nov. (and had Packets from Admiral Haddock for the Admiralty) but on the 6th of December, about 20 Leagues West from England, a Privateer (of what Force is not mention'd) attack'd her, and they continued engag'd for some time before the Captain was kill'd, and then the Mate struck to the Spaniards, who brought 'em into St. Sebastians the 11th, and on the 13th the Ship's Company was sent to Prison.

An English Man of War, with Nine Merchant-ships under her Convoy from Newfoundland, was off of the Bar of Oporto the 15th Decem. N.S.

On Thursday last the Lady Metta, William Willers, from Bremen, was forc'd by the Drift of the Ice on a Bank in the River Thames, but timely Assistance prevented her oversetting. She was not quite unloaden, and had three Feet Water in her Hold.

Last Week died at Emberton near Oulney, John Lepage, Esq; formerly a Furrier in Walbrook. He had many Years retir'd from Town, and about 30 Years since serv'd High Sheriff of Buckinghamshire.

Yesterday Morning died, after a tedious Indisposition, the Lady of the Right Hon. the Lord Sundon, at his House in Stable Yard St. James's.

Yesterday being New Year's Day there was a splendid Appearance of the Nobility, Foreign Ministers, and other Persons of Distinction, to pay their Compliments to his Majesty on that Occasion.

The Ode for the Day, compos'd by Colley Cibber, Esq; Poet-Laureat, and set to Musick by Dr. Maurice Green, was perform'd before his Majesty, the Duke, and Princesses, and several of the Nobility, in the Great Council-Chamber: The Vocal Parts by Mr. Abbot, Mr. Beard, Mr. Gates, Mr. Bayley, Mr. Row, and the Boys belonging to the Chapel Royal, and the Instrumental Parts by his Majesty's Band of Musick.

O D E.

Recitative.

TO mend the World and bless Mankind,
Inaugur'd Kings ascend the Throne,
But that distinguish'd Grace we find
Reserv'd to Glorious GEORGE alone.

Air.

That Prince alone with Glory reigns,
Who Rights and Liberties enjoy'd
Prefers to proud, Imperial Chains,
Of Right and Liberty destroy'd.

Duett.

Faint Happiness can Subjects draw,
Where human Passions speak the Law;
But where the Laws restrain the Sway,
Their Prince the People proud obey.

Duett and Chorus.

Such is our Praise to CÆSAR giv'n;
Such are the Sovereigns sent from Heav'n.

Recitative.

Man may beneath unbounded Pow'r survive,
But only blest with Freedom does he live;
And search the World's wide Realms around, we see
None like the Subjects of our CÆSAR free.

Air.

Rude and Rural tho' our Lays,
While our Hearts sincerely sing
Sweeter is our honest Praise
Than the Song to proudest King.
All that's enjoin'd by Heav'n above
Is, that the Power we praise, we love.

Duett and Chorus.

Such is our Praise to CÆSAR giv'n;
Such are the Sovereigns sent from Heav'n.

Recitative.

Swell the Sounds of Harmony,
To Godlike GEORGE, and Liberty.

Air.

Dearest Right of human Race,
Sweet and smiling Liberty!
All that mortal Life can bless
Springs from Gracious GEORGE and Thee!
His the Glory, thine the Boon;
Mutual is the Fame and Joy:
Britons, blest from such a Throne,
What, united, can annoy?

Recitative.

Distrust and Faction, sure, to such a Prince
Will own their Errors, to approve their Sense.

Chorus.

Such is our Praise to Cæsar giv'n;
Such are the Sovereigns sent from Heav'n!

High Water this Day at London-Bridge.	Morning	06	29	Evening 06 55

Bank Stock, 135 1-half. India, 159 1-4th. South Sea, 104 1-4th. Old Annuity, 112. New ditto, 111 7-8ths. Three per Cent. 100. Seven per Cent. Loan, Nothing done. Five per Cent. ditto, 60. Royal Assurance, 89 1-4th. London Assurance, 11. African, 10. India Bonds, 4 l. 2 s. to 3 s. Premium. Bank Circulation, 3 l. Prem. Salt Tallies, Nothing done. English Copper, 3 l. 15 s. Welsh ditto, 15 s. Three 1-half per Cent. Exchequer Orders, Nothing done. Three per Cent. ditto, Nothing done. Million Bank, 113 1-4th. Equivalent, 112.

Admiralty-Office, December 30, 1741.

HIS *Majesty's Ship the Leopard, which is fitting out for the Sea, being now at Longreach, it is the Direction of my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, that the Men turned over into that Ship from the Hampton-Court and Lark do immediately repair on board to their Duty, on pain of the Loss of their Wages, and also of being apprehended and tried at a Court Martial as Deserters.*

Tho. Corbett.

Admiralty Office, December 31. 1741.

HIS *Majesty's Ship the Advice, which is fitting for the Sea, being got to the Nore, it is the Direction of my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty that all the Seamen turned over into the said Ship from the Windsor, Alborough, and Eleanor Fireship, do immediately repair on board to their Duty, on pain of Loss of their Wages, and being taken up and tried as Deserters If the said Men apply to the Regulating Captains at their Office in Mark-lane, they will send them in Tenders down to their Ship, with their Chests and Bedding.*

Tho. Corbett.

Bank, June 1, 1741.

WHereas JOHN WAITE, *late one of the Cashiers of the* Bank of England, *about Forty Years of Age, and about Five Foot Eight Inches high, well set, round visag'd, small grey Eyes, very light Eye-brows and Eye-lashes, and of a most remarkable fresh Complection, absented himself on Wednesday the 13th of May last from his Duty at the Bank, and is supposed to have secreted, or taken away with him from the Bank, East-India Bonds, amounting to a considerable Value;*

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